

THE PATIENT



WAYNE COUNTY GENERAL HOSPITAL AND INFIRMARY

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Eloise, Michigan

WAYNE COUNTY CONSULTATION CENTER

Outpatient Department

1214 Griswold Street, Room 610

Detroit 26, Michigan

THE PATIENT—

A person in whom you are interested has just been admitted to the Wayne County General Hospital and Infirmary. By now, the patient has been bathed and put to bed in light, clean surroundings; is being **safely and gently**

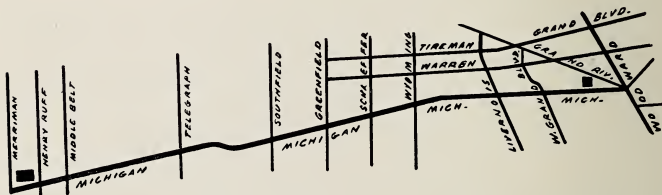
cared for by skilled doctors and nurses who understand this illness; all personal effects have been listed and put away. **Kindness is the rule toward all patients.**



YOUR PART in bringing this patient to a modern hospital means that you have done your loved one a real service. **Recovery** and return home are the first aims of everyone on the Wayne County General Hospital and Infirmary Staff.

VISITING HOURS are from 1 to 4 p. m. Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Apply for visiting permits at the Information Office in the main lobby of D Building. If the patient is new, you will be given a blue card, directing you to the Social

Service Office at the rear of the first floor of D Building for visiting permit. If the patient is later transferred to Buildings J, K, L, or M, go directly to J Building on Merriam Road for visiting permits. If the patient is in N Building, permits are obtained at the N Building Office.



TRANSPORTATION—The Hospital is sixteen miles west of downtown Detroit on Michigan Avenue. Take a Dearborn coach labeled WAYNE from the Barlum Tower; these leave every ten minutes from this point and also from ELOISE on the return trip. Bus fare is thirty cents each way. Buses stop at the main gate of D Building, Eloise. Ann Arbor buses, leaving from the Greyhound Terminal, Grand River Avenue and Washington Boulevard, also stop at Eloise.

MAIL should be addressed to the patient at Eloise, Michigan.

MONEY for patients should be left at the Book-keeping Office, first floor D Building, except on Sundays and holidays when it may be left at the Information Office.

STORE ON HOSPITAL GROUNDS sells fruit, ice cream, candy and cigarettes, to and for patients. Newspapers are available.

GIFTS—Patients are permitted to have gifts of food and cigarettes.. Patients are encouraged to wear their own clothing. It is expected that books and magazines brought to the wards be passed on to other patients.



THE DOCTOR will see the patient soon after admission; the doctor, a skilled psychiatrist, a specialist in nervous and mental illness, will give the patient a series of careful examinations which may take several weeks. The doctor is available for your consultation by appointment; **afternoons** are best. **Telephone: Dearborn 1700.**

MENTAL ILLNESS comes to **one** member of every five families in the United States. It is considered **illness**, just as pneumonia. Mental illness is not a disgrace. Much of modern research **does not regard heredity** as important in mental illness. Some mental illness is mild, some severe. It develops slowly; symptoms are different. It can be prevented and cures are frequent.

YOUR HELP will be needed in assisting the doctor to understand the patient's illness. All details about the patient's life from infancy to the present are important.

SOCIAL SERVICE located on the first floor, rear of D Building. A worker will welcome your call at this office for inquiries of any kind. She will help you gather the story of the patient's life and illness for the doctor. You can make



an appointment for this purpose at the Hospital or at the **Wayne County Consultation Center, 1214 Griswold Street (The Griswold Building), Room 610, Detroit 26, Michigan.**

OTHER SERVICES—If you have questions about mental illness or personal problems, or need to make

special arrangements regarding employment, medical care, or care of children, etc., the social worker is here to serve you. All inquiries and information are regarded as confidential.

YOUR QUESTIONS—Wayne County General hospital and Infirmary, a tax supported Hospital, was established in 1832. There are three divisions.

(1) The **Psychiatric Division** for persons suffering from nervous, emotional or mental illness, sometimes called nervous breakdowns. This public hospital has modern treatment facilities which are most complete.

(2) The **Infirmary** cares for people who are chronically ill, or aged and infirm.

(3) The **Seymour Hospital** is a fully equipped medical and surgical hospital; it is available to all residents of Wayne County General Hospital and Infirmary.

COST—Care in the Psychiatric Division includes special treatment. An investigator from the Medical Division of the Department of Social Welfare, 1025 East Forest, reports ability of relatives to pay. No doctor, nurse, attendant or other Hospital employee knows whether the patient's care is fully or partially paid.

TREATMENT after the doctor makes his diagnosis of the patient's illness, **your consent** may be requested for special treatment. Your **questions** will be fully answered by the Social Service Department and medical staff. Some forms of treatment given are shock treatment and malarial treatment or therapy.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY—The patient may be permitted by the doctor to do light work in the Hospital, such as preparing trays, as he improves, or may later work on the grounds, in the greenhouse, or in the large gardens.

There are special shops where patients can do carpentry, repair shoes, etc. in accordance with their interests or abilities. For women, there is weaving, sewing, painting, etc.



LIBRARY—A branch of the Wayne County Library is accessible to patients able to use this service.

RECREATIONAL THERAPY—Musical therapy is important in this Hospital; patients have their own orchestra and plays; games, dancing and singing are regular Hospital procedure for inpatients.

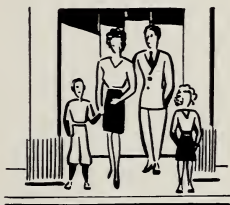
Movies are shown weekly at the auditorium. All the patients who are able go for a walk on the grounds daily in good weather.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES are conducted regularly in the fine new auditorium: Catholic, Protestant and Jewish chaplains are part of the permanent staff.

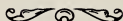
GROUP THERAPY—Classes for some improved patients wherein they discuss their illnesses and future plans are conducted.

RELEASE—As the patient improves, the doctor may permit home visits for short periods; you will be notified when such is possible. A friend or relative may make arrangements. **Please keep us informed of your address.** When the patient is more improved, it is possible to go home on a three-year visit (legally called a parole).

This entitles the patient to receive continuing medical care; visits with the doctor are arranged. The patient may need special help at this time; the social worker can offer this to both the patient and you.



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